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- (WETZIG, SVEN THOMAS; CASTILLO, PATRICE)

REF: BERLIN 1146 NOTAL

1. SENATOR DANIEL P. MOYNIHAN INTERESTED.

2. WESTERN MEDIA REPORTED THAT PEACE ACTIVISTS SVEN THOMAS WETZIG AND PATRICE CASTILLO WERE CONVICTED OF "ROWDYISM" BY A GDR COURT IN LEIPZIG. WETZIG WAS SENTENCED TO TWO YEARS AND CASTILLO TO 18 MONTHS IMPRISONMENT. CASTILLO'S PREGNANT WIFE, ANKE, RECEIVED AN 18 MONTH SUSPENDED SENTENCE.

3. AS REPORTED IN REFTEL, WETZIG AND CASTILLO WERE PART OF A GROUP OF ABOUT 40 ANTI-NUCLEAR DEMONSTRATORS ARRESTED NOVEMBER 18, 1983. REFTEL ALSO STATED THAT BETTINA MUENZENBERG AND OLAF SCHUBERT, ALSO ARRESTED IN THAT DEMONSTRATION AND OF INTEREST TO SENATOR MOYNIHAN, WERE PREVIOUSLY SENTENCED TO 10 MONTHS AND TO 14 MONTHS IMPRISONMENT.

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